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*Whitehall, Auguſt* 22.

LATE laſt Night one of His Majeſty's Meſſengers arrived with a Diſpatch from Colonel Sir James Murray, Adjutant-General to the Forces under the Command of His Royal Highneſs the Duke of York, to Mr. Secretary Dundas, of which the following is a Copy.

SIR, *Menin, Auguſt* 19, 1793.

I HAVE the Honor to inform you, that the Army marched from Turcoing, upon the Morning of the 18th, to a Camp near this Town. The Hereditary Prince of Orange made an Attack the ſame Day upon the French Poſts of Mauvaix, Blaton, and Lincelles. This was in ſome Degree advantageous to the Operations of His Royal Highneſs, as it ſerved to cover his March, and to keep the Enemy in a State of Uncertainty in regard to his Deſigns.

The former of theſe Attacks miſcarried; in the latter his Serene Highneſs ſucceeded without much Loſs. About One o'Clock in the Afternoon, the Enemy, in their Turn, attacked the Poſt of Lincelles, and, as it afterwards appeared, in great Force. The Prince of Orange, who had made large Detachments from his Camp for theſe different Enterprizes, requeſted of His Royal Highneſs to ſend Three Battalions to the Support of his Troops. The Three neareſt Battalions, which happened to be thoſe of the Firſt, Coldſtream, and Third Regiments of Guards, were accordingly ordered to march, under the Command of Major-General Lake, for that Purpoſe. Upon their

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their Arrival at Lincelles, they found the Poſt in the Poſſeſſion of the Enemy. The Dutch Troops, having been forced to abandon it, had retreated by a Road different from that by which the Britiſh had advanced. To have fallen back in this Situation muſt have preſented the Enemy, evidently ſuperior in Numbers, an Opportunity of entirely defeating the Detachment. General Lake embraced a Reſolution worthier of the Troops which he commanded, and which has been attended with Glory and Succeſs. He determined upon an immediate Attack.

The Enemy occupied a Redoubt of uncommon Size and Strength upon a Height adjoining to the high Road, in Front of the Village of Lincelles. The Road itſelf was defended by other Works ſtrongly paliſadoed; Woods and Ditches covered their Flanks. The Battalions were inſtantly formed, and advanced under a very heavy Fire, with an Order and Intrepidity for which no Praiſe can be too high. After firing Three or Four Rounds, they ruſhed on with their Bayonets, ſtormed the Redoubt, and drove the Enemy through the Village. At the End of the Village the latter rallied, under the Protection of other Troops, and kept up, for ſome Time, a ſevere Fire; But they were again defeated, and ſo entirely put to the Rout, that they have not ſince appeared in that Quarter. They loſt Eleven Pieces of Cannon, Two of which had been before taken from the Dutch. There are about 50 Priſoners: The Number of Killed and Wounded cannot be aſcertained with any Preciſion; it is calculated at between 2 and 300 Men. By the concurring Teſtimony of theſe Priſoners, the Enemy had 12 Battalions upon the Poſt, and muſt have been upwards of 5000 Men.

I am ſorry to add, that ſuch Difficulties could not be overcome without conſiderable Loſs. The Fall of Two gallant Officers, and the brave Men who have ſuffered upon this Occaſion, muſt be Matter of Regret. It can only be imputed to the Ability of Major-General Lake, and the extraordinary Valour of the Officers and Men, that the Loſs has not been ſtill greater. The Conduct of Colonel Grinfield, Colonel Hulſe and Colonel Pennington, have reflected Honor upon themſelves, and merited His Royal Highneſs's warmeſt Approbation. Equal Praiſe is due to Major Wright, and the Officers and Men of the Royal Artillery attached to the Battalions.

As ſoon as the Retreat of the Dutch Troops was known, ſeveral Battalions were ordered from Camp to ſupport the Guards. They arrived after the Action was at an End, but remained to ſtrengthen the Poſt (which the Dutch had by this Time reoccupied) during the Night. They returned to Camp this Morning. The French made an Attack this Day upon the Dutch Poſt at Roubaix, in which they have been repulſed with conſiderable Loſs.

The Works of Lincelles have been deſtroyed, and the Poſt left unoccupied.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

JA. MURRAY.

*Return of the Number of Rank and File of the Three Battalions of Foot Guards, under the Command of Major-General Lake, who engaged the French on the 18th of Auguſt, 1793.*

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| First Regiment - - | 378 |
| Coldſtream - - - | 346 |
| Third Regiment - - | 398 |
| Total - - | 1122 |

*Return of the Killed and Wounded of the Three Battalions of Foot Guards, with the Artillery attached to it, under the Command of Major-General Lake, on the 18th of Auguſt, 1793.*

First Regiment. 2 Serjeants, 19 Rank and File, killed; 2 Captains, 3 Lieutenants, 2 Serjeants, 42 Rank and File, wounded. 70

Coldſtream. 1 Captain, 8 Rank and File, killed; 1 Captain, 1 Lieutenant, 1 Enſign, 2 Serjeants, 43 Rank and File, wounded. 57

Third Regiment. 1 Drummer, 7 Rank and File, killed; 1 Lieutenant, 1 Enſign, 2 Serjeants, 43 Rank and File, wounded. 55

Royal Artillery. 1 Lieutenant, 1 Rank and File, killed; 3 Rank and File wounded. 5

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*Names of Officers killed and wounded.*

First Regiment. Colonel D'Oyley, Colonel Evans, Captain Archer, Captain Briſtow, Captain Whetham, wounded.

Coldſtream. Lieutenant-Colonel Boſville killed; Lieutenant-Colonel Gaſcoyne, Enſign Bayley, wounded.

Third Regiment. Captain Cunnynghame wounded.

Royal Artillery. Lieutenant De Peyſter killed.

JA. MURRAY, Adjutant-General.

*Return of Ordnance, Ammunition, Stores, and Horſes taken from the French, on the Night of the 18th of Auguſt, 1793.*

| Nature of Ordnance, &c. | |
|---|---|
| Nine-pounders - - | 2 |
| Six-pounders - - | 7 |
| Tumbril Waggons - - | 6 |
| Round Shot, Nine-pounders | 189 |
| Caſe Shot, Nine-pounders | 75 |
| Round Shot, Six-pounders | 323 |
| Caſe Shot, Six-pounders - | 118 |
| Muſquet Cartridges - - | 9378 |
| Flints - - - | 1296 |
| Portfires - - - | 93 |
| Tubes - - - | 1087 |
| Horſes - - - | 37 |

WM. CONGREVE, Major of Artillery.

*Turin, July 31.*

On the 29th Inſtant the French renewed their Attempts to diſlodge the Sardinian Troops from the Poſts of L'Auchion and the Col de Raus. They marched at Break of Day, in Three Columns, againſt both the Sardinian Camps, after a briſk Cannonade from their Batteries on the Heights, but without Effect. The French were repulſed on all Sides, and compleatly defeated, and were purſued by ſeveral Detachments of the Sardinian Troops quite to their Intrenchments at Belvedere. The Action laſted Five Hours at Auchion, and Seven on the Side of Raus. The Loſs of the French amounted to 500 Men killed. Of the King's Troops only a few were wounded, and none killed.

*Bruſſels, Auguſt 18.*

Accounts have been received here, that Yeſterday Prince Hohenloe gained a conſiderable Advantage over the French, and completely drove them from their Poſts in the Foreſt of Mormal. The French loſt on this Occaſion near 500 Men killed and wounded, and 200 Priſoners: Their Commander was among the former, and Two Colonels, with ſeveral other Officers of Rank, were amongſt the latter. The Loſs of the Auſtrians did not exceed 60 Men killed and wounded. The Auſtrians have taken Poſſeſſion of *Berlamont*, *Jolimetz*, *Loquighol*, and *Heck*, and are preparing for the immediate Siege of Le Queſnoy.

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